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**Subject: Under the influence of Western disturbance, light to moderate rainfall/snowfall likely over Western Himalayan Region and light rainfall over adjoining plains on 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 2025.**

**i. Realised weather during past 24 hours till 0830 hours IST of today (Annexure I)**

- ❖ **Dense to very dense fog (visibility < 50 m)** reported in some parts of East Uttar Pradesh; in isolated pockets of Haryana, West Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Odisha and **dense fog (visibility 50-199 m)** reported in isolated pockets of Jammu-Kashmir, Assam & Meghalaya and West Bengal & Sikkim.
- ❖ **Visibility reported (<200 m)** (in meter): **Haryana:** Karnal 0; **East Uttar Pradesh:** Gorakhpur, Bahraich 0 each; **West Uttar Pradesh:** Najibabad 0; **Bihar:** Purnea 0; **Odisha:** Chandbali 0; **Jammu-Kashmir:** Kupwara 50; **Sub-Himalayan West Bengal & Sikkim:** Bagdogra 50, Cooch Behar 50; **Gangetic West Bengal:** Durgapur 50, Bankura 50, Panagarh 50; **Assam & Meghalaya:** Barapani 80, Cherrapunji 100.
- ❖ **Light rainfall/snowfall** at a few places occurred over Jammu-Kashmir-Ladakh-Gilgit-Baltistan-Muzaffarabad.

**Weather Systems, Forecast and warning (Annexure II & III):**

- ❖ The Western Disturbance as a cyclonic circulation lies over Punjab & neighbourhood in lower tropospheric levels. The induced cyclonic circulation lies over Haryana & neighbourhood in lower tropospheric levels. Another cyclonic circulation lies over southeast Rajasthan and neighbourhood in lower tropospheric levels. Another Western Disturbance as a trough in middle & upper tropospheric westerlies runs roughly along Long. 65°E to the north of Lat. 30°N. Under the influence of these systems:
  - ✓ Isolated to Scattered rainfall/snowfall very likely over Western Himalayan Region till 23<sup>rd</sup> and isolated rainfall likely over Punjab, Haryana, Chandigarh & West Uttar Pradesh on 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> and Rajasthan on 22<sup>nd</sup> January.
  - ✓ Thunderstorm activity at isolated places likely over Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Haryana, Chandigarh and West Uttar Pradesh on 22<sup>nd</sup> January.
- ❖ Thunderstorm activity at isolated places likely over Arunachal Pradesh, Assam & Meghalaya and Tamilnadu Puducherry & Karaikal on 22<sup>nd</sup> January.

**ii. Temperature, Cold Day and Fog Forecast:**

**Temperature Conditions during past 24 hours till 0830 hours IST of today (Annexure IV):**

- ❖ Minimum temperatures are **below 0°C** over isolated places of Jammu, Kashmir & Ladakh; **7-14°C** over many parts of plains of northwest, Central & East India; **14-18°C** in many parts of West India. Today, the lowest minimum temperature of **3.8°C** is reported at **Adampur (Punjab)** over the plains of the country.
- ❖ During the past 24 hours, there has been **fall in minimum temperatures by 1-3°C** in some parts of Himachal Pradesh & Uttar Pradesh; in isolated places of Jammu-Kashmir-Ladakh-Gilgit-Baltistan-Muzaffarabad, Chhattisgarh, Saurashtra & Kutch, Kerala & Mahe and **rise by 1-3°C** in many parts of Odisha and Gangetic West Bengal; in some parts of Madhya Pradesh; in isolated places of Assam & Meghalaya, Vidarbha and Tamil Nadu.
- ❖ Minimum temperatures are **below normal (-1°C to -3°C)** at isolated places over Odisha, Coastal Andhra Pradesh & Yanam, Rayalaseema and Telangana. These are **markedly above normal (5°C or more)** at isolated places over West Rajasthan; **appreciably above normal (3°C to 5°C)** at many places over Madhya Pradesh; at a few places over Assam & Meghalaya, Uttar Pradesh, Gujarat State; at isolated places over Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, East Rajasthan, Bihar; **above normal (1°C to 3°C)** at many places over Gangetic West Bengal & Tamilnadu Puducherry & Karaikal; at isolated places over Jammu-Kashmir-Ladakh-Gilgit-Baltistan-Muzaffarabad, Haryana, Chandigarh & Delhi, Sub-Himalayan West Bengal & Sikkim, Konkan & Goa, Madhya Maharashtra, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram & Tripura, Kerala & Mahe and near normal over rest parts of the country.

### **Forecast of temperature:**

- ❖ Rise in minimum temperatures by about 2°C likely over plains of Northwest India during next 24 hours and gradual fall by 2-4°C thereafter.
- ❖ Rise in minimum temperatures by 2-3°C likely over East India during next 3 days and gradual fall by 2-4°C thereafter.
- ❖ No significant change in minimum temperatures likely over Central India during next 48 hours and gradual fall by 2-3°C thereafter.
- ❖ No significant change in minimum temperatures likely over Maharashtra during next 24 hours and gradual fall by 2-3°C thereafter.
- ❖ Gradual fall in minimum temperatures by 2-3°C likely over Gujarat Region during next 24 hours and no significant change thereafter.

### **Cold Wave Warnings:**

**Cold Wave** conditions very likely in isolated pockets of Jammu-Kashmir-Ladakh-Gilgit-Baltistan-Muzaffarabad and Himachal Pradesh on 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> January.

### **Dense Fog Warnings:**

**Dense to very Dense fog Condition** very likely to continue to prevail during night/early morning hours in isolated pockets of East Uttar Pradesh on 22<sup>nd</sup> January.

**Dense fog conditions** very likely to continue to prevail during night/early morning hours in isolated pockets of Jharkhand, Assam & Meghalaya, Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram & Tripura till 23<sup>rd</sup>; Rajasthan, West Bengal & Sikkim, Bihar, Odisha till 24<sup>th</sup>; West Uttar Pradesh till 26<sup>th</sup>; East Uttar Pradesh during 23<sup>rd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> January.

### **Cold Day Warnings:**

**Cold day** conditions very likely in isolated pockets of Himachal Pradesh on 23<sup>rd</sup> and Bihar on 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> January.

### **Fishermen Warnings (Annexure V):**

Fishermen are advised not to venture into Comorin area & adjoining Gulf of Mannar on 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>; south of Sri Lanka coast & adjoining southwest Bay of Bengal, northwest Arabian sea adjoining Gulf of Oman on 22<sup>nd</sup> January.

### **iii. Weather conditions and forecast over Delhi/NCR during 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan. to 25<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2025 (Annexure VI)**

**For more details, kindly refer National Weather Bulletin:**

[https://mausam.imd.gov.in/responsive/all\\_india\\_forecast\\_bulletin.php](https://mausam.imd.gov.in/responsive/all_india_forecast_bulletin.php)

**For District wise warnings refer:** <https://mausam.imd.gov.in/responsive/districtWiseWarningGIS.php>

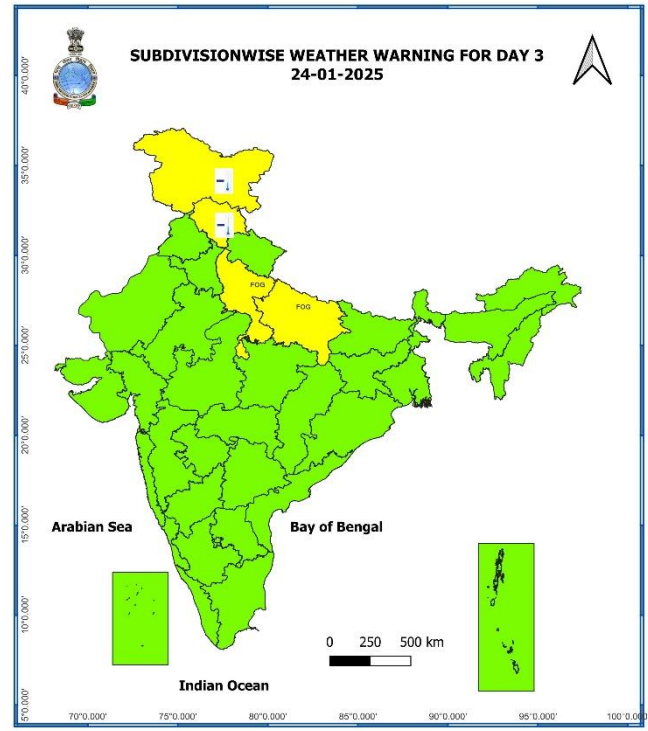
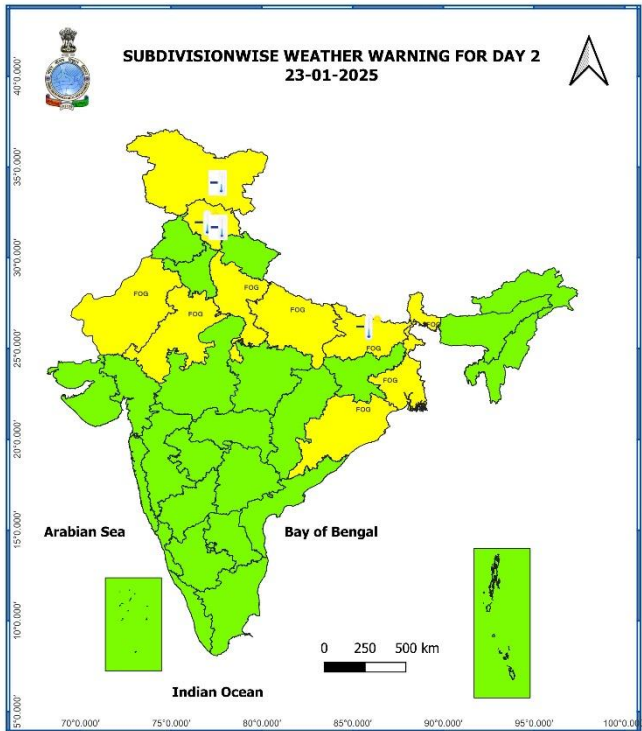
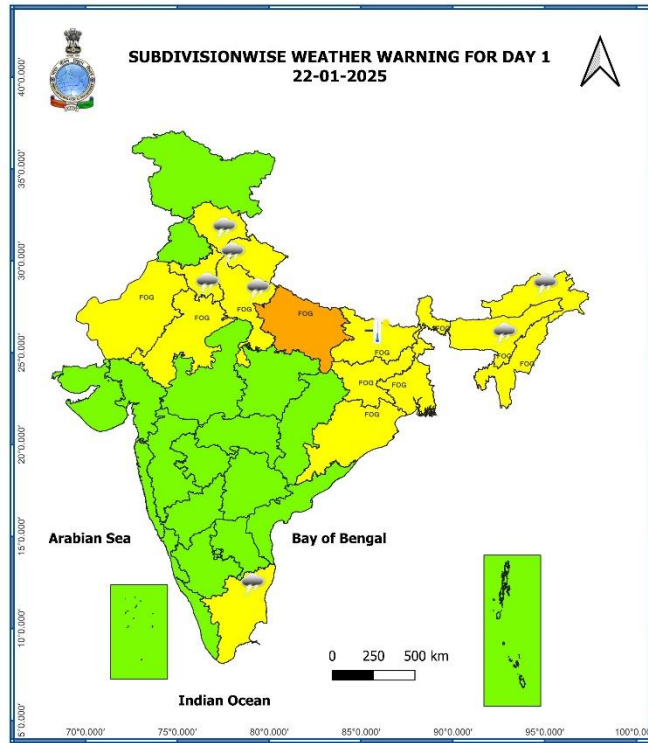
## **ANNEXURE I**

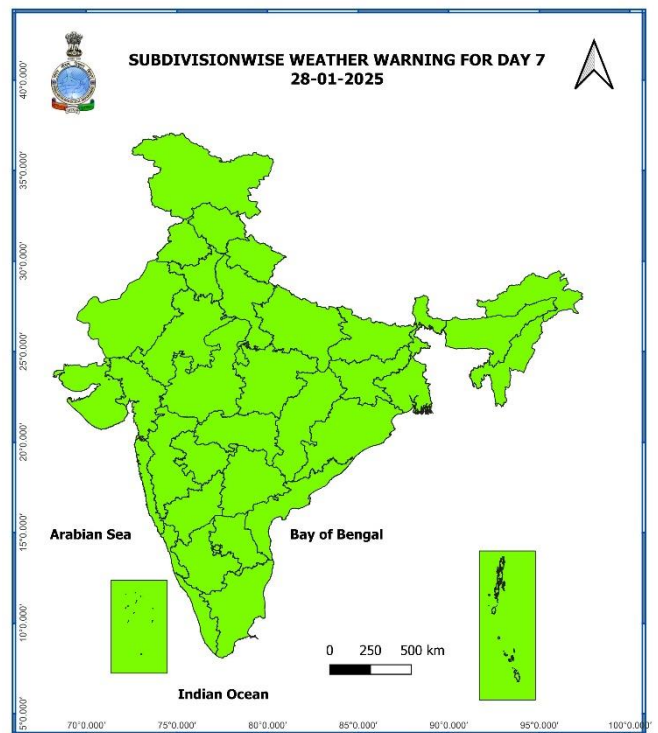
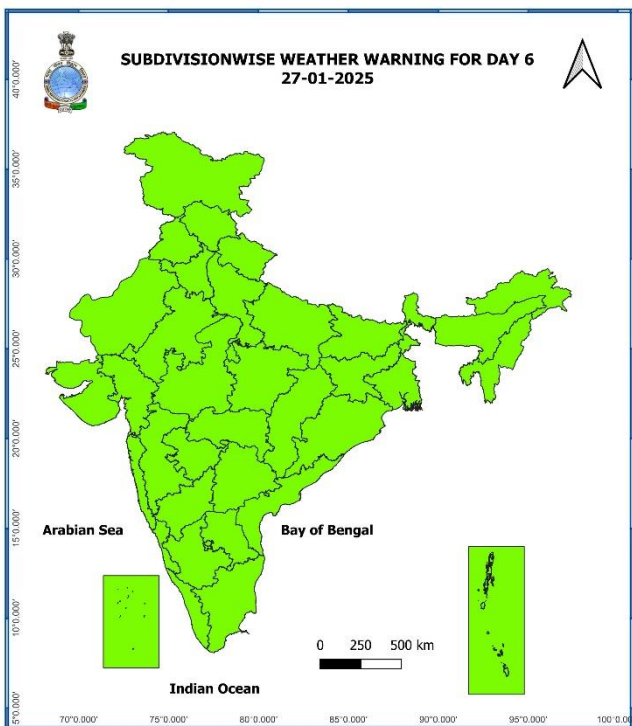
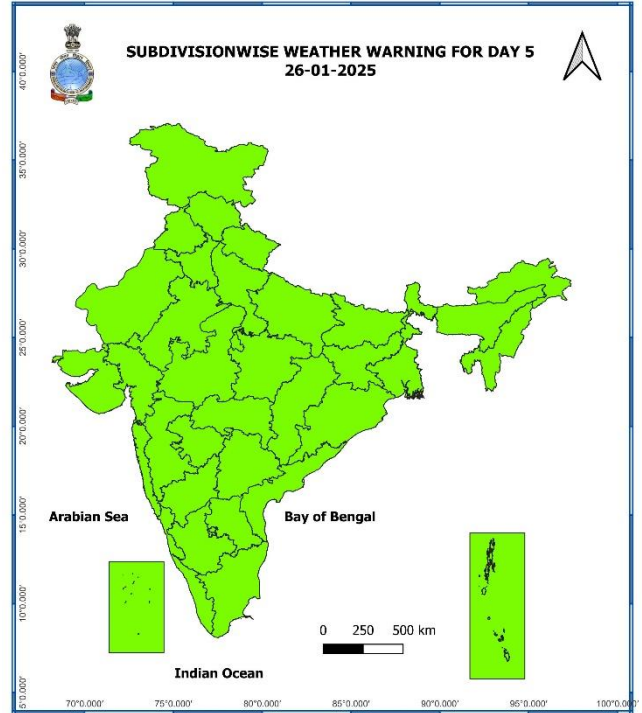
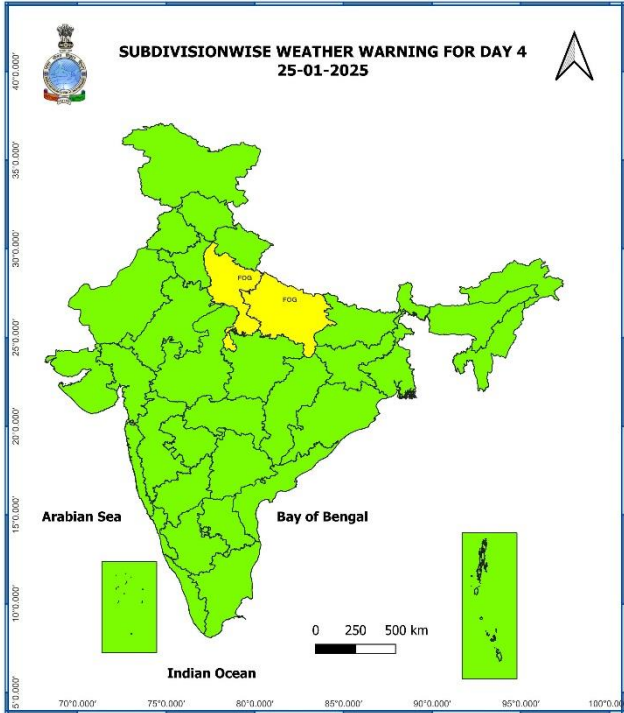
### **Rainfall recorded during past 24 hours till 0830 hours IST of today 22.01.2025 (in cm):**

- ❖ **Jammu-Kashmir:** Raj Pura Arg (dist Poonch) 1, Gulmarg R.s. (dist Baramula) 1, Lolab (dist Kupwara) 1, Buhama (dist Kupwara) 1

7 Days Rainfall Forecast								
S. No.	Subdivision	22-Jan	23-Jan	24-Jan	25-Jan	26-Jan	27-Jan	28-Jan
		Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7
1	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL	SCT	SCT	SCT
2	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	ISOL	SCT	SCT	SCT	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL
3	ASSAM & MEGHALAYA	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL	DRY	DRY	ISOL
4	NAGALAND, MANIPUR, MIZORAM & TRIPURA	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	ISOL	ISOL
5	SUB-HIMALAYAN WEST BENGAL & SIKKIM	DRY	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL	ISOL
6	GANGETIC WEST BENGAL	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
7	ODISHA	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
8	JHARKHAND	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
9	BIHAR	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
10	EAST UTTAR PRADESH	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
11	WEST UTTAR PRADESH	ISOL	ISOL	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
12	UTTARAKHAND	SCT	FWS	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
13	HARYANA CHANDIGARH & DELHI	SCT	ISOL	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
14	PUNJAB	ISOL	ISOL	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
15	HIMACHAL PRADESH	SCT	SCT	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
16	JAMMU & KASHMIR AND LADAKH	SCT	ISOL	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
17	WEST RAJASTHAN	ISOL	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
18	EAST RAJASTHAN	ISOL	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
19	WEST MADHYA PRADESH	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
20	EAST MADHYA PRADESH	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
21	GUJARAT REGION	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
22	SAURASHTRA & KUTCH	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
23	KONKAN & GOA	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
24	MADHYA MAHARASHTRA	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
25	MARATHAWADA	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
26	VIDARBHA	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
27	CHHATTISGARH	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
28	COASTAL ANDHRA PRADESH & YANAM	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
29	TELANGANA	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
30	RAYALASEEMA	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
31	TAMILNADU PUDUCHERRY & KARAIKAL	ISOL	ISOL	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
32	COASTAL KARNATAKA	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
33	NORTH INTERIOR KARNATAKA	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
34	SOUTH INTERIOR KARNATAKA	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
35	KERALA & MAHE	ISOL	ISOL	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY
36	LAKSHADWEEP	SCT	SCT	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY	DRY

- As the lead period increases forecast accuracy decreases





- Action may be taken based on ORANGE AND RED COLOUR warnings.
- Vulnerable regions likely urban and hilly areas action may be initiated for heavy rainfall warning.
- As the lead period increases forecast accuracy decreases.

Fig. 1: Maximum Temperatures

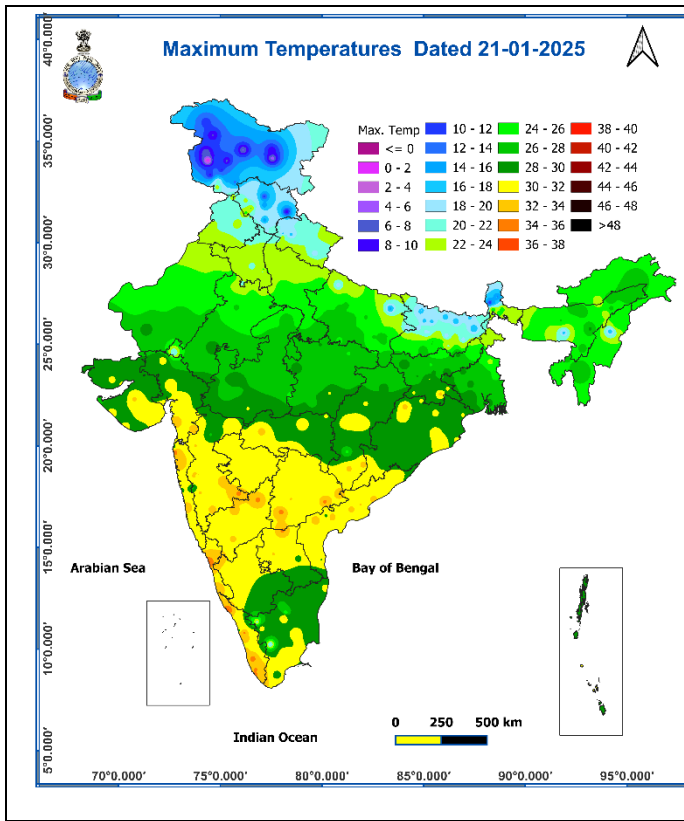


Fig. 2: Departure of Maximum Temperatures

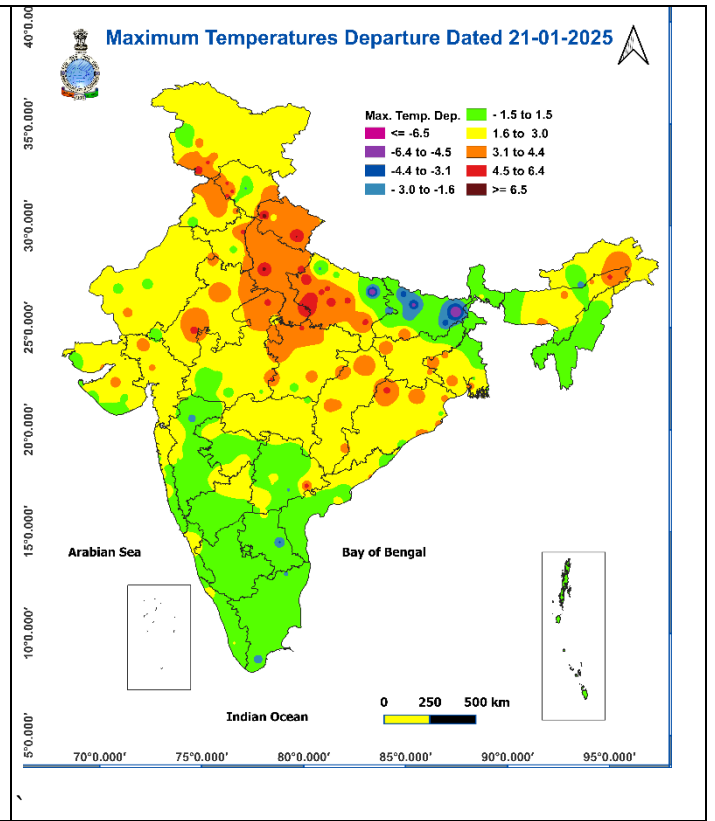


Fig. 3: Minimum Temperatures

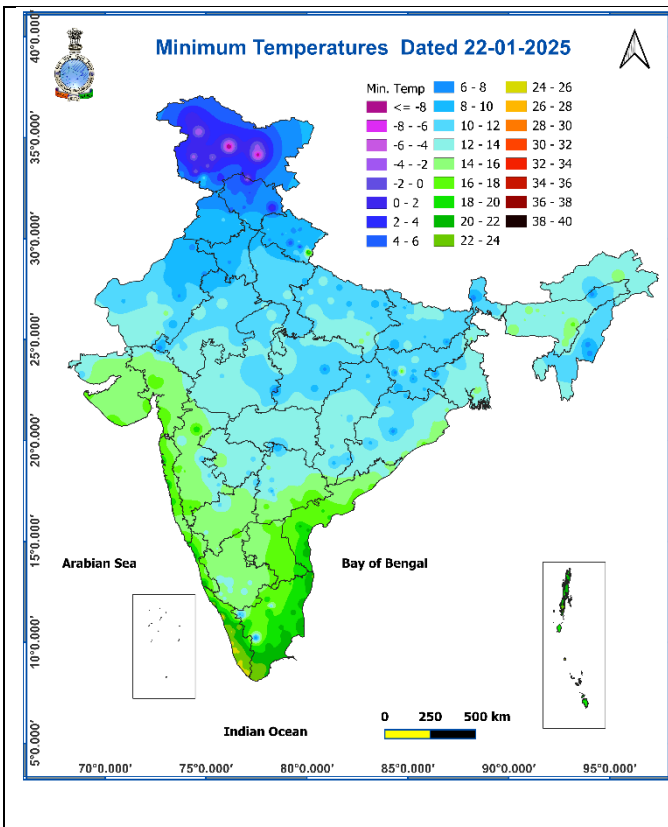
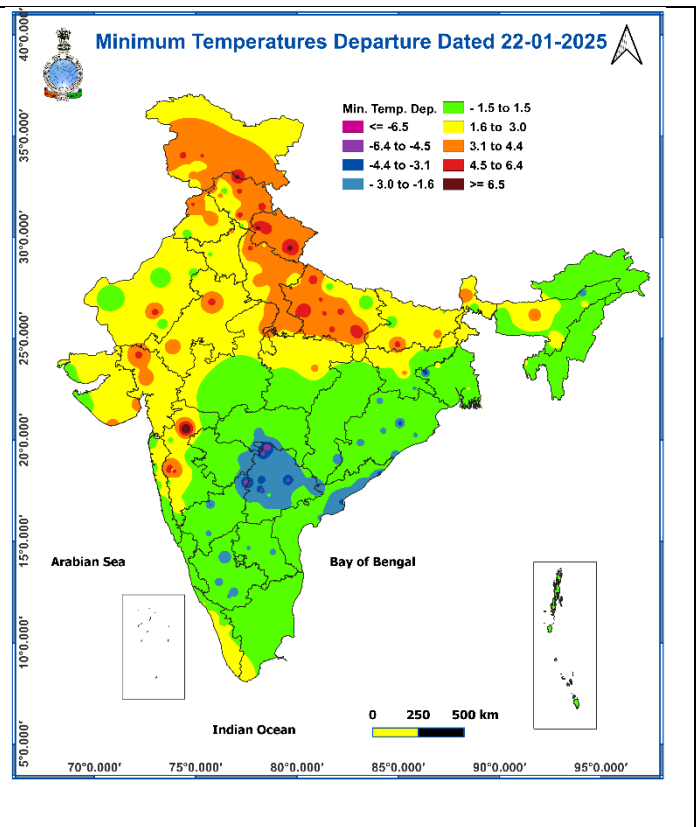
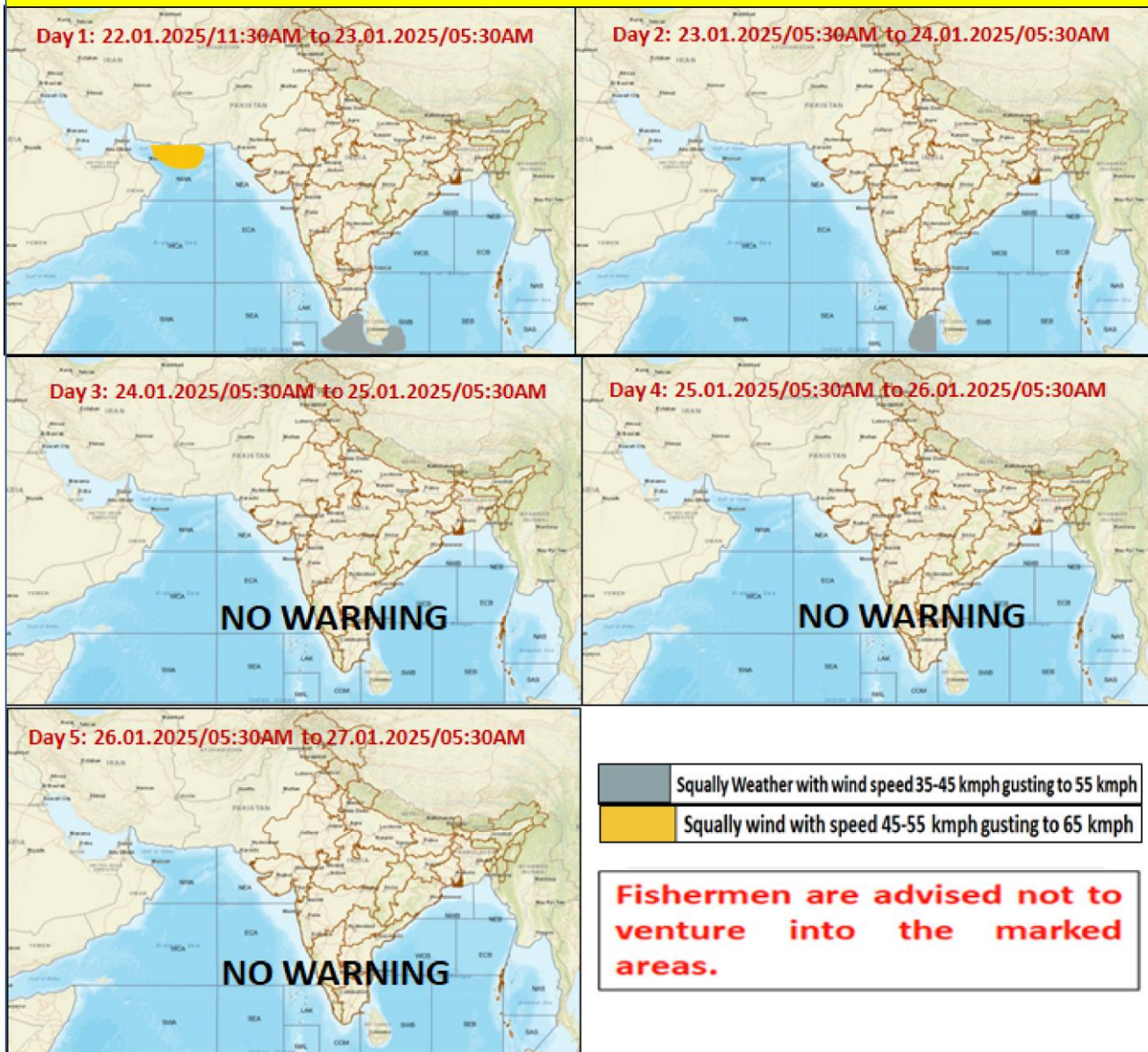


Fig. 4: Departure of Minimum Temperatures





### Fishermen Warning Graphics



**Weather forecast over Delhi/NCR during 22<sup>nd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2025****Past Weather:**

There has been a fall in minimum temperature upto 01°C over Delhi/NCR during past 24hr. The Maximum and Minimum temperatures over Delhi are in the range of 22 to 24°C and 09 to 10°C respectively. The minimum temperature was above normal upto 02°C and maximum temperature was above normal upto 04°C over most places. Shallow fog was reported at Palam airport. Palam airport recorded the lowest visibility 700m from 0730 hours to 0800 hours IST which improved thereafter becoming 900 m at 0830 hours IST. Safdarjung airport recorded the lowest visibility 1000m at 0730 hours IST which improved thereafter becoming 1200 m at 0800 hours IST. Mainly smog/mist conditions with predominant surface wind from the southwest direction with wind speed reaching 12 to 14 kmph prevailed during past 24hr. Mainly clear sky conditions with wind speed less than 08 kmph west direction prevailed over the region in the forenoon today.

**Weather Forecast:**

**22.01.2025:** Partly cloudy sky. Possibility of one or two spell of very light to light rain with thunderstorms during night. The predominant surface wind will likely be in the northwest direction with a wind speed of less than 08 kmph till evening. It would decrease thereafter becoming less than 06 kmph from the northwest direction during the night. Smog/shallow fog is likely in the evening/night.

**23.01.2025:** Generally cloudy sky. Possibility of a spell of light rain during morning. The predominant surface wind is likely to be from the north direction with a wind speed less than 06 kmph during morning hours. Smog/ shallow fog in most of the places very likely to commence during early morning hours with moderate fog in isolated places during morning hours. The wind speed will decrease thereafter becoming 08-10 kmph from north direction during afternoon. It will gradually decrease becoming less than 06 kmph from north direction during evening and night. Smog/shallow fog is likely in the evening/night.

**24.01.2025:** Mainly clear sky. The predominant surface wind is likely to be from northwest direction with wind speed less than 06 kmph during morning hours. Smog/moderate fog in most of the places likely in the morning. The wind speed will gradually increase thereafter becoming 12-14 kmph from northwest direction during afternoon. It will decrease becoming less than 08 kmph from northwest direction during evening and night. Smog/shallow fog is likely in the evening/night.

**25.01.2025:** Mainly clear sky. The predominant surface wind will likely be in the northwest direction with a wind speed of less than 06 kmph during morning hours. Smog/moderate fog in most of the places likely in the morning. The wind speed will gradually increase thereafter becoming 12-14 kmph from northwest direction during afternoon. It will decrease becoming less than 08 kmph from northwest direction during evening and night. Smog/shallow fog is likely in the evening/night.

**Impact expected due to dense/very dense fog in the night /morning hour:**

## ❖ Transport and Aviation:

- May affect some airports, highways and railway routes in the areas of met- sub-division.
- Difficult driving conditions with slower journey times.
- Unless taken precautionary measures, it may lead to some road traffic collisions.

## ❖ Power Sector:

- Chances of Tripping of Power lines in the very dense fog routes.

## ❖ Human Health:

- Lung related health impacts: Dense fog contains particulate matter and other pollutants and in case exposed it gets lodged in the lungs, clogging them and decreasing their functional capacity which increases episodes of wheezing, coughing and shortness of breath.
- Impact on people having asthma bronchitis: Long time exposure to dense fog may cause respiratory problem for people having asthma bronchitis and other lung related health problems.
- Eye Irritation: Dense fog contains pollutions of various types and these Pollutants in the air if exposed may tend to irritate the membranes of the eye causing various infections leading to redness or swelling of the eye.

**Action suggested:**

## ❖ Transport and Aviation:

- Be careful while driving or outing through any transport.
- Use fog lights during driving.



- Be in touch with airlines, railways and state transport for schedule of your journey.
- ❖ Power Sector:
  - To keep ready Maintenance Team.
  - Human Health: To avoid outing until unless emergency and to cover the face.

### Impact expected due to Cold Day conditions

- ❖ An increased likelihood of various illnesses like flu, running/ stuffy nose or nosebleed, which usually set in or get aggravated due to prolonged exposure to cold.
- ❖ Do not ignore shivering. It is the first sign that the body is losing heat. Get Indoors.
- ❖ Frostbite can occur due to prolonged exposure to cold. The skin turns pale, hard and numb and eventually black blisters appear on exposed body parts such as fingers, toes, nose and or earlobes. Severe frostbite needs immediate medical attention and treatment.
- ❖ Impact on agriculture, crop, livestock, water supply, transport and power sector at some places.

### Action suggested:

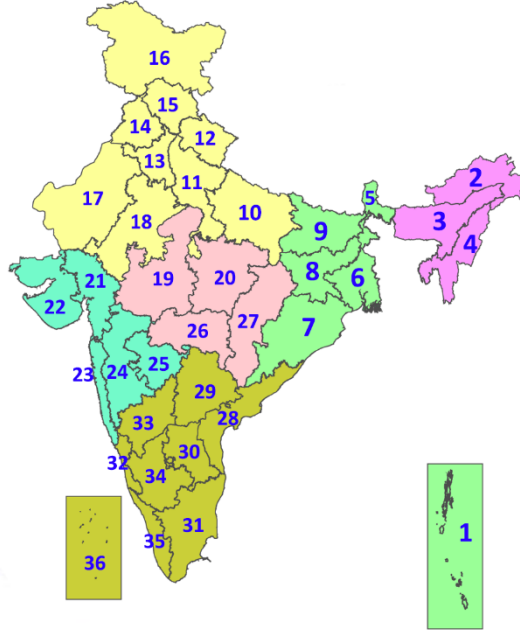
- ❖ Wear several layers of loose fitting, light weight; warm woollen clothing.
- ❖ Cover your head, neck, hands and toes adequately as majority of heat loss occurs through these body parts. Wear several layers of loose fitting, light weight; warm Woolen clothing rather than one layer of heavy cloth.
- ❖ Eat vitamin-C rich fruits & vegetable and drink sufficient fluids preferably warm fluids to maintain adequate immunity.
- ❖ Avoid or limit outdoor activities.
- ❖ Keep dry, if wet, change cloths immediately to prevent loss of body heat. Wear insulated/waterproof shoes.
- ❖ Warm the affected area of the body slowly with lukewarm water; do not rub the skin vigorously.
- ❖ If the affected skin area turns black, immediately consult a doctor.
- ❖ Maintain ventilation while using Heaters to avoid inhaling toxic fumes.
- ❖ Take safety measures while using electrical and gas heating devices.
- ❖ Extreme care needed for vulnerable people.
- ❖ Seek medical attention as soon as possible for someone suffering from frostbite/ Hypothermia.
- ❖ Protect livestock from cold weather.

### Legends & abbreviations:

- ❖ **Heavy Rain:**64.5-115.5mm; **Very Heavy Rain:**115.6-204.4mm; **Extremely Heavy Rain:** >204.4mm.
- ❖ **Obsy:** Observatory; **AWS:** Automatic Weather Station; **ARG:** Automatic Rain Gauge; **dist:** District; **NH:** National Highway; **KVK:** Krishi Vigyan Kendra; **DVC:** Damodar Valley Corporation; **PTO:** Part Time Office, **Aero:** Aerodrome, **IAF:** Indian Air Force.
- ❖ **Region wise classification of meteorological Sub-Divisions:**
  - **Northwest India:** Western Himalayan Region (Jammu-Kashmir-Ladakh-Gilgit-Baltistan-Muzaffarabad, Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand); Punjab, Haryana-Chandigarh-Delhi; West Uttar Pradesh, East Uttar Pradesh, West Rajasthan and East Rajasthan.
  - **Central India:** West Madhya Pradesh, East Madhya Pradesh, Vidarbha and Chhattisgarh.
  - **East India:** Bihar, Jharkhand, Sub-Himalayan West Bengal & Sikkim; Gangetic West Bengal, Odisha and Andaman & Nicobar Islands.
  - **Northeast India:** Arunachal Pradesh, Assam & Meghalaya and Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram & Tripura.
  - **West India:** Gujarat Region, Saurashtra & Kutch, Konkan & Goa, Madhya Maharashtra and Marathawada.
  - **South India:** Coastal Andhra Pradesh & Yanam, Telangana, Rayalaseema, Coastal Karnataka, North Interior Karnataka, South Interior Karnataka, Kerala & Mahe, Tamil Nadu, Puducherry & Karaikal and Lakshadweep.

## LEGENDS

1. अंडमान और निकोबार द्वीपसमूह
2. अरुणाचल प्रदेश
3. असम और मेघालय
4. नागालैंड, मणिपुर, मिजोरम और त्रिपुरा
5. उप-हिमालयी पश्चिम बंगाल और सिक्किम
6. गंगीय पश्चिम बंगाल
7. ओडिशा
8. झारखंड
9. बिहार
10. पूर्वी उत्तर प्रदेश
11. पश्चिम उत्तर प्रदेश
12. उत्तराखंड
13. हरियाणा, चंडीगढ़ और दिल्ली
14. पंजाब
15. हिमाचल प्रदेश
16. जम्मू और कश्मीर और लद्दाख
17. पश्चिम राजस्थान
18. पूर्वी राजस्थान
19. पश्चिम मध्य प्रदेश
20. पूर्वी मध्य प्रदेश
21. गुजरात
22. सौराष्ट्र
23. कोंकण और गोवा
24. मध्य महाराष्ट्र
25. मराठवाड़ा
26. विदर्भ
27. छत्तीसगढ़
28. तटीय आंध्र प्रदेश और यनम
29. तेलंगाना
30. रायलसीमा
31. तमिलनाडु, पुडुचेरी और कराईकल
32. तटीय कर्नाटक
33. आंतरिक उत्तरी कर्नाटक
34. आंतरिक दक्षिणी कर्नाटक
35. केरल और माहे
36. लक्षद्वीप



1. Andaman & Nicobar Islands
2. Arunachal Pradesh
3. Assam & Meghalaya
4. Nagaland, Manipur, Mizoram & Tripura
5. Sub-Himalayan West Bengal & Sikkim
6. Gangetic West Bengal
7. Odisha
8. Jharkhand
9. Bihar
10. East Uttar Pradesh
11. West Uttar Pradesh
12. Uttarakhand
13. Haryana, Chandigarh & Delhi
14. Punjab
15. Himachal Pradesh
16. Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh
17. West Rajasthan
18. East Rajasthan
19. West Madhya Pradesh
20. East Madhya Pradesh
21. Gujarat
22. Saurashtra
23. Konkan & Goa
24. Madhya Maharashtra
25. Marathwada
26. Vidarbha
27. Chhattisgarh
28. Coastal Andhra Pradesh & Yanam
29. Telangana
30. Rayalaseema
31. Tamilnadu, Puducherry & Karaikal
32. Coastal Karnataka
33. North Interior Karnataka
34. South Interior Karnataka
35. Kerala & Mahe
36. Lakshadweep

## SPATIAL DISTRIBUTION (% of Stations reporting)

% Stations	Category	% Stations	Category
76-100	Widespread (WS/Most Places)	26-50	Scattered (SCT/A Few Places)
51-75	Fairly Widespread (FWS/Many Places)	1-25	Isolated (ISOL)

- |                      |                      |              |
|----------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Fog                  | Heavy Snow           | Cold Wave    |
| Heavy Rain           | Dust Storm           | Cold Day     |
| Very Heavy Rain      | Heat Wave            | Ground Frost |
| Extremely Heavy Rain | Warm Night           |              |
| Thunder & Lightning  | Hot Day              |              |
| Hailstorm            | Hot & Humid          |              |
| Dust Raising Winds   | Strong Surface Winds |              |

### COLOUR CODED WARNING

No Warning (No Action)
Watch (Be Aware)
Alert (Be Prepared To Take Action)
Warning (Take Action)

### Probabilistic Forecast

Terms	Probability of Occurrence (%)
Unlikely	< 25
Likely	25 - 50
Very Likely	50 - 75
Most Likely	> 75

\* Red colour warning does not mean "Red Alert", Red colour warning means "Take Action".  
Forecast and Warning for any day is valid from 0830 hours IST of day till 0830 hours IST of next day.  
For more details, kindly visit <https://mausam.imd.gov.in> or contact: 011-2434-4599  
(Service to the Nation since 1875)

## DEFINITION/CRITERIA

### Rain/ Snow \*

**Heavy:** 64.5 to 115.5 mm/cm \*  
**Very Heavy:** 115.6 to 204.4 mm/cm \*  
**Extremely Heavy:** > 204.4 mm/cm \*

### Heat Wave

**When maximum temperature of a station reaches  $\geq 40^\circ\text{C}$  for plains and  $\geq 30^\circ\text{C}$  for hilly regions**  
**(a) Based on Departure from normal**

**Heat Wave:** Maximum Temperature Departure from normal  $4.5^\circ\text{C}$  to  $6.4^\circ\text{C}$ .  
**Severe Heat Wave:** Maximum Temperature Departure from normal  $\geq 6.5^\circ\text{C}$

**(b). Based on Actual maximum temperature**

**Heat Wave:** When actual maximum temperature  $\geq 45^\circ\text{C}$ .  
**Severe Heat Wave:** When actual maximum temperature  $\geq 47^\circ\text{C}$

**(c). Criteria for heat wave for coastal stations**

When maximum temperature departure is  $> 4.5^\circ\text{C}$  from normal. Heat Wave may be described provided maximum temperature  $\geq 37^\circ\text{C}$

### Warm Night

**When maximum temperature remains  $40^\circ\text{C}$**

**Warm Night:** When minimum temperature departure  $4.5^\circ\text{C}$  to  $6.4^\circ\text{C}$ .  
**Severe Warm Night:** When minimum temperature departure  $> 6.4^\circ\text{C}$ .

### Cold Wave

**When minimum temperature of a station  $\leq 10^\circ\text{C}$  for plains and  $\leq 0^\circ\text{C}$  for hilly regions.**  
**(a). Based on departure**

**Cold Wave:** Minimum Temperature Departure from normal  $-4.5^\circ\text{C}$  to  $-6.4^\circ\text{C}$ .  
**Severe Cold Wave:** Minimum Temperature Departure from normal  $\leq -6.5^\circ\text{C}$

**(b) Based on actual Minimum Temperature (for Plains only)**

**Cold Wave:** When Minimum Temperature is  $\leq 4.0^\circ\text{C}$   
**Severe Cold Wave:** When Minimum Temperature is  $\leq 2.0^\circ\text{C}$

**(c) For Coastal Stations**

When Minimum Temperature departure is  $\leq -4.5^\circ\text{C}$  & actual Minimum Temperature is  $\leq 15^\circ\text{C}$

### Cold Day

**When minimum temperature of a station  $\leq 10^\circ\text{C}$  for plains and  $\leq 0^\circ\text{C}$  for hilly regions**  
**Based on departure**

**Cold Day:** Maximum Temperature Departure from normal  $-4.5^\circ\text{C}$  to  $-6.4^\circ\text{C}$ .  
**Severe Cold Day:** Maximum Temperature Departure from normal  $\leq -6.5^\circ\text{C}$

### Fog

**Phenomenon of small droplets suspended in air and the horizontal visibility  $< 1\text{km}$**

**Moderate Fog:** When the visibility between 500-200 metres  
**Dense Fog:** when the visibility between 50- 200 metres  
**Very Dense Fog:** when the visibility  $< 50$  metres

### Thunderstorm

**Sudden electrical discharges manifested by a flash of light (Lightning) and a sharp rumbling sound (thunder)**

### Dust/Sand Storm

**An ensemble of particles of dust or sand energetically lifted to great heights by a strong and turbulent wind.**

### Frost

**Ice deposits on ground**

Air temperature  $\leq 4^\circ\text{C}$  ( over Plains)

### Squall

**A strong wind that rises suddenly, lasts for atleast 1 minute.**

**Moderate:** Wind speed 52-61 kmph  
**Severe:** Wind speed 62-87 kmph  
**Very Severe:** Wind speed  $> 87$  kmph

### Sea State

**Effect of various waves in the sea over specific area**

**Rough to very rough:** Wind speed 41-62 kmph (22-33 knots) & Wave height 2.5-6 metre  
**High to very high:** Wind speed 63-117 kmph ( 34-63 knots) & Wave height 6-14 metre  
**Phenomenal:** Wind speed  $> 117$  kmph ( $> 63$  knots) & Wave height  $> 14$  metre

### Cyclone

**Cyclonic Storm:** Wind speed 62-87 kmph (34-47 knots)  
**Severe Cyclonic Storm:** Wind speed 88-117 kmph (48-63 knots)  
**Very Severe Cyclonic Storm:** Wind speed 118-165 kmph (64 - 89 knots)  
**Extremely Severe Cyclonic Storm:** Wind speed 166-220 kmph (90 -119 knots)  
**Super Cyclone Storm:** Wind speed  $> 220$  kmph ( $> 119$  knots)

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